

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A plated-polyester article comprising a polyester article (A) and a plating layer (B) formed on the surface of the article, wherein

(1) the polyester article (A) is irradiated with ionizing radiation to crosslink a polyester resin,

(2) the arithmetic mean roughness Ra of the surface of the plating layer (B) is at most 1 μm , and

(3) adhesion strength between the polyester article (A) and the plating layer (B) is at least 2 MPa_a,

wherein the polyester article (A) is an article obtained by melt-molding a resin composition with an inorganic filler selected from the group consisting of calcium pyrophosphate, crushed silica and spherical silica having an average particle diameter of 1 to 10 μm dispersed in a proportion of 5 to 20 vol.% in a polyester resin crosslinkable by irradiation with ionizing radiation, and has been irradiated with ionizing radiation to crosslink the polyester resin, and further wherein the polyester article (A) has been etched with an aqueous solution of sodium hydroxide to form fine irregularities in the surface thereof.

2. (Original) The plated-polyester article according to claim 1, wherein the polyester article (A) has reflow resistance that the rates of changes in dimensions as measured under

conditions that it is passed through a zone preset to 260°C in a reflow oven in 60 seconds is at most 1% in both longitudinal and crosswise directions.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The plated-polyester article according to claim [[3]] 1, wherein the polyester resin crosslinkable by irradiation with ionizing radiation is a polyester resin selected from the group consisting of i) a polyester resin composition obtained by incorporating a polyfunctional monomer into a polyester resin, ii) a modified polyester resin obtained by reacting a polyester resin with a polyfunctional organic compound to introduce a polymerizable functional group, iii) a modified polyester resin obtained by copolymerizing an unsaturated diol or unsaturated dicarboxylic acid in a polymerization step of a polyester resin to introduce a carbon-carbon double bond in its main chain, and iv) a polyester resin composition obtained by incorporating a polyfunctional monomer in the modified polyester resin with the polymerizable functional group introduced therein or the modified polyester resin with the carbon-carbon double bond introduced in the main chain.

6. (Original) The plated-polyester article according to claim 5, wherein the polyester resin is at least one polyester resin selected from the group consisting of polybutylene terephthalate, polyethylene terephthalate, polybutylene naphthalate, polyethylene naphthalate, polycyclohexylene terephthalate, polycyclohexylene terephthalate, polyethylene terephthalate

copolymers, polycyclohexylene dimethylterephthalate-isophthalate copolymers and polybutylene succinate.

7. (Currently Amended) The plated-polyester article according to claim [[3]] 1, wherein the polyester resin crosslinkable by irradiation with ionizing radiation further contains a flame retardant.

8. (Original) The plated-polyester article according to claim 7, wherein the flame retardant is a bromine flame retardant.

9. (Original) The plated-polyester article according to claim 7, which satisfies the standard value V-0 in the UL-94 test.

10. (Original) The plated-polyester article according to claim 1, wherein the plating layer (B) is an electroless copper plating layer or an electroless copper plating layer and a copper electroplating layer formed thereon.

Claims 11-20 (Canceled):

21. (New) The plated-polyester article according to claim 1, wherein the fine irregularities in the surface of the polyester article (A) corresponds to the size corresponding to the particle diameter of the inorganic filler dispersed.

22. (New) The plated-polyester article according to claim 10, wherein the thickness of the electroless plating layer is 0.3 to 10 μm , and the thickness of the electroplating layer is 1 to 30 μm .

23. (New) The plated-polyester article according to claim 22, wherein the thickness of the electroplating layer is 3 to 20 μm .